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AGENDA
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, May 11, 2022, 12:00 P.M.
Board Room, UWCD Headquarters
1701 N. Lombard Street, Oxnard CA 93030

Meeting attendees should be aware that the meetings of the Board are, as required by law, open to the public and the District has very limited powers to regulate who attends Board meetings. Therefore, attendees must exercise their own judgement with respect to protecting themselves from exposure to COVID-19, as the District cannot ensure that all attendees at public meetings will be free from COVID-19.

BOARD MATTERS

*Normally, Action (Motion) Items will be considered and acted upon separately; Consent Items will be considered and acted upon collectively, although a Consent Item may be considered and acted upon separately; and Information Items will be considered separately without action.
The Board of Directors in its discretion may change the order of agenda items.*

1. FIRST OPEN SESSION 12:00 P.M.

Items to be discussed in Executive (Closed) Session will be announced.

1.1 Public Comments
Information Item

Members of the public may address the Board on any matter on the Closed Session agenda or on any non-agenda item within the jurisdiction of the Board. All comments are subject to a five-minute time limit. Virtual participants, please use “raise hand” option in “participants” menu.

1.2 EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION 12:05 P.M.

The Board will discuss matters outlined in the attached Executive (Closed) Session Agenda (Exhibit A).

2. SECOND OPEN SESSION AND CALL TO ORDER 1:00 P.M.

2.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.2 Public Comment
Information Item

Members of the public may address the Board on any item on the Consent Calendar or on any non-agenda item within the jurisdiction of the Board. No action will be taken by the Board on any non-agenda item. All comments are subject to a five-minute time limit.

2.3 Approval of Agenda
Motion

2.4 Oral Report Regarding Executive (Closed) Session

Information Item

Presented by District Legal Counsel David D. Boyer.

2.5 Board Members' Activities Report

Information Item

The Board will receive and file information regarding meeting participation provided by each of the Board Members through Monthly Activities (aka per diem) Reports.

2.6 General Manager's Report

Information Item

The General Manager will present information on his activities of possible interest to the Board and that may have consequence to the District.

2.7 2022 Richard V. Laubacher Water Conservation Award

Motion

The Board will consider possible recipients for the Laubacher Award and conduct a vote to determine the 2022 recipient. Staff will present recommendations for the award at the Board meeting.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR: All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine by the Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member pulls an item from the Calendar. Pulled items will be discussed and acted on separately by the Board. Members of the public who want to comment on a Consent Calendar item should do so under Public Comments. (ROLL CALL VOTE REQUIRED)

A. Approval of Minutes

Motion

Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of April 13, 2022, and the Special Board Meeting of April 20, 2022.

B. Groundwater Basin Status Reports

Information Item

Receive and file Monthly Hydrologic Conditions Report for the District.

C. Monthly Investment Report

Information Item

Report on the District's investments and the availability or restriction of these funds. All investments are in compliance with the District's investment policy, which is reviewed and approved annually by the Board.

- D. Resolution 2022-19 Subsequent Finding that the Governor of California issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency on March 4, 2020 relating to the COVID-19 virus and local officials continue to recommend social distancing measures to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus and Authorizing remote teleconference meetings of the legislative bodies of United Water Conservation District for the period of May 11 through June 8, 2022, pursuant to Brown Act provisions**

Motion

The Board will consider adopting Resolution 2022-19 continuing subsequent findings that the requisite conditions exist for remote teleconference meetings of the District's legislative bodies without compliance with Government Code section 54953(b)(3), as authorized by Government Code section 54953(e).

- E. Third Quarter FY 2021-22 Financial Report and Budget Amendments**

Motion

The Board will receive and review the FY 2021-22 Third Quarter Financial Report for the period of July 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022 and approve the proposed modifications to the FY 2021-22 Budget.

- F. Resolution 2022-20 Requesting Consolidation of the United Water Conservation District General Election with the Statewide General Election**

Motion

The Board will consider adopting Resolution 2022-20, consolidating the District's November 8, 2022 general election with the County of Ventura.

4. PRESENTATIONS AND MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS (By Department)

Operations and Maintenance Department – Brian Collins

**4.1 Monthly Operation and Maintenance Department Report
Information Item**

Summary report on monthly activities of the Operations and Maintenance Department, including but not limited to the District's facilities (Santa Felicia Dam and hydroplant; the Piru Groundwater Recharge facility; the Freeman Diversion; the Saticoy and El Rio Groundwater Recharge facilities; the Pleasant Valley and Pumping Trough Pipeline systems; and the Oxnard Hueneme Pipeline system), encompassing operating plans, the quantity and quality of water diverted and delivered, fish ladder operations, major maintenance problems and repairs, status of Operations and Maintenance projects and safety and training issues.

Park and Recreation Department – Clayton Strahan

4.2 Monthly Park and Recreation Department Report

Information Item

Summary report on monthly activities of the Park and Recreation Department, including but not limited to the Lake Piru Recreation Area, encompassing camping and boating policies at the lake; operations and activities; financing and status of facility improvement projects; maintenance activities; security issues; and emergency response activities.

Water Resources Department – Dan Detmer

4.3 Monthly Water Resources Department Report

Information Item

Summary report on the monthly activities of the Water Resources Department including but not limited to updates to the Ventura Regional Groundwater Flow Model; brackish water treatment feasibility study; upper Santa Clara River Chloride TMDL; hydrologic and well conditions statewide and locally; available Forebay storage; Ventura County well ordinance update; Fox Canyon GMA issues; City of Oxnard's recycled water program; potential water supply and recycled water projects, including use of United's terminal reservoirs; and various user groups (including but not limited to Oxnard Plain and Pumping Trough Pipeline groups).

4.4 Update on Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) and Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)

Information Item

Summary report on the monthly activities of the three local Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (Mound Basin GSA, Fillmore and Piru Basins GSA, and the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency), for which the District serves as a member director, and the Santa Paula basin (adjudicated) Technical Advisory Committee (including formation of groundwater sustainability agencies in the District's basins, stakeholder and basin user groups, joint powers or governance agreements, development of water markets, and potential basin boundary changes). Staff may also report on state-wide issues related to the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management.

Administrative Services Department – Brian Zahn and Josh Perez

4.5 Monthly Administrative Services Department Report – Josh Perez and Brian Zahn

Information Item

Summary report on the monthly activities of the Administration Department including but not limited to issues associated with budget development, financial performance versus budget plan, financial accounting requirements and procedures, potential debt issuance and related financial services, status of District investments and reserves, updates on its capital improvement programs, human resources and safety, District property and facilities maintenance and administration, District

records and reports, groundwater extraction statements administration, risk management and District liability insurance matters, management of District contracts, policy development, governance procedures, and supporting activities of Board and staff.

Engineering Department – Dr. Maryam Bral

**4.6 Monthly Engineering Department Report
Information Item**

Summary report on the monthly activities of the Engineering Department, including but not limited to water resources, planning efforts and department programs impacting the District, such as project design and construction; dam safety; FERC license compliance; Freeman Diversion; recycled water; pipeline operations and various engineering analysis.

Environmental Services Department – Linda Purpus

**4.7 Monthly Environmental Services Department Report
Information Item**

Summary report on the monthly activities of the Environmental Services Department, including but not limited to environmental and regulatory issues of note to the District, water releases, operations of the fish ladder at the Freeman Diversion, various monitoring efforts, study plans and issues associated with the Endangered Species Act, including the Section 10 MSHCP process, future fish passage requirements, compliance with the District’s FERC license/Biological Opinion, the Santa Felicia Dam, studies and operations in and near Piru Creek, and any interactions with Rancho Temescal and Rancho Camulos.

5. MOTION ITEMS (By Department)

Administrative Services Department – Anthony Emmert

5.1 PUBLIC HEARING

Continuation of Annual Groundwater Hearing to Accept Comment on Groundwater Conditions within the District

In accordance with the District’s principal act in the California Water Code, the Board annually conducts a public hearing to consider the conditions of groundwater resources within the District. An “[Annual Investigation and Report of Groundwater Conditions](#)” was submitted to the Secretary/Treasurer of the Board on March 23, 2022 and has been available for public review and comment. This Public Hearing was initially opened at the April 13, 2022 Board of Directors meeting and was continued to the regular May 2022 Board meeting and will again be continued to the June 2022 Board meeting.

At this meeting, staff will give a report on current groundwater conditions, and members of the public will be permitted to give testimony. At its June 8, 2022 meeting, the Board may choose to close the hearing and consider the establishment of zones and the levying of groundwater extraction charges in those zones.

Public comment will be accepted at this time.

This hearing will be continued until Wednesday, June 8, 2022. No Board decisions will be made until the final hearing on June 8, 2022.

5.2 FY 2022-23 Proposed Budget Workshop

Motion

The Board will consider information presented by staff concerning the [Proposed FY 2022-23 District Budget](#). Pertinent information with respect to the budget will be discussed. The Board may provide guidance and direction on various budget issues and recommendations. However, the Board will not consider adoption of the District budget until its June 8, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. The overview will consist of:

- Introduction and review related to the development of the proposed budget, reserve needs, corresponding rates to be charged, the budget process and related issues.
- Review of Capital Improvement Plan and recommended funding for FY 2022-23.
- Additional information in connection with and in support of the proposed FY 2022-23 Budget and the District's groundwater extraction charges.
- Questions from the Board
- Public Comments/Questions
- Board Direction to Staff
- Next steps for completing the District budget for FY 2022-2023

Park and Recreation Department – Clayton Strahan

5.3 Resolution 2022-14 Adopting Amended and Restated Ordinance No. 15 and Authorizing Ordinance No. 15

Motion

The Board will consider approving and authorizing an Amended and Restated Ordinance No. 15, establishing rules and regulations for the Lake Piru Recreation Area and adopting [Resolution 2022-14](#) officially confirming the amended rules and regulations for the Lake Piru Recreation Area.

5.4 Resolution 2022-17 Lake Piru Long Term Stay Agreement

Motion

The Board will consider adopting [Resolution 2022-17](#), approving a revised long term stay agreement pursuant to adopted revisions of Ordinance No. 15 Rules and Regulations for Lake Piru Recreational Area, Section 5.9 (f) and (g).

6. BOARD OF DIRECTORS READING FILE

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

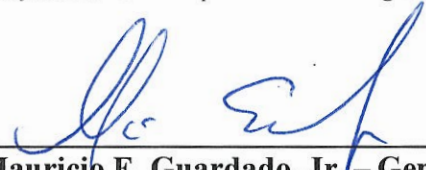
8. ADJOURNMENT

The Board will adjourn to the **Regular Board Meeting** scheduled for **Wednesday, June 8, 2022** or call of the President.

All testimony given before the Board of Directors is recorded. Materials, which are non-exempt public records and are provided to the Board of Directors to be used in consideration of the above agenda items, including any documents provided subsequent to the publishing of this agenda, are available for inspection at the District's offices at 1701 N. Lombard Street, Suite 200, Oxnard CA 93030 during normal business hours.

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Approved: _____


Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr. – General Manager

Posted: (date) May 6, 2022

(time) 2:00p.m.

(attest) *Kris Sofley*

At: United Water Conservation District Headquarters, 1701 N. Lombard Street, Oxnard CA 93030

Posted: (date) May 6, 2022

(time) 2:15p.m.

(attest) *Kris Sofley*

At: www.unitedwater.org

EXHIBIT A
EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION AGENDA

1. LITIGATION

1.1 Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), two (2) case.

1.2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)

- A. City of San Buenaventura v. United Water Conservation District, et al, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. 19CV06168, pending before the Court of Appeal of the State of California, Second Appellate District, Division 6, Court of Appeal No. B312471.
- B. Wishtoyo Foundation, et al v. United Water Conservation District, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Case No.2:16-cv-03869 GHK (PLAx).
- C. OPV Coalition v Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Ventura, Case No. 56-2021-00555357-CU-PT-VTA; Complaint for Comprehensive Groundwater Adjudication of the Oxnard Groundwater Subbasin (No. 4-004.02) and Pleasant Valley Subbasin (No. 4-006) Pursuant to Sections 830, *Et Seq.* of the Code of Civil Procedure; Declaratory Relief; Quiet Title; and Petition for Writs of Mandate.